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Riverside Appoints Library Director

Riverside, California - Riverside City Manager Brad Hudson today announced the appointment of Tonya Kennon as Library Director. This appointment was confirmed by the Board of Library Trustees this evening. Ms. Kennon is presently County Librarian for Riverside County and has over 15 years of library experience. As Library Director, Ms. Kennon will lead the City's library system of eight libraries with 47 full-time and 22 part-time staff.

"I am impressed with Tonya's passion for libraries and her desire to provide superior library services to meet the needs of our residents", said City Manager Brad Hudson. Ms. Kennon, a Riverside resident, will start her new position on July 25, 2011.

Ms. Kennon holds a Masters of Library and Information Science from San Jose State University and a Bachelor of Arts in English from California Baptist University. Prior to joining Riverside County, she worked in library services at Tustin Unified School District, Fontana Unified School District and Rialto Unified School District.

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